Trade sentiment was generally steady. Demand ranged moderate to good best where media promotions were in progress. Offerings were generally in close balance to adequate for current trade needs. In the parts complex, breast items were readily available. Wings were fully adequate. Leg items were at least adequate. Weights were in a full range but mostly desirable.



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Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: May 24, 2003 FOOD SERVICE/

	FAST FOOD	RETAIL	DEBONING	TOTAL
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 - 5.25	5.26 & Up	
Total (000)	27,164	29,097	50,271	106,532
Percentage	25%	27 %	47%	99%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

Live Weights	RTC WOG Weights	(000)	Total Slaughter
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	4,929	4.63
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. – 2 lbs., 10 oz.	4,063	3.81
3.81 - 4.00 lbs	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	13,033	12.23
4.01 – 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz 2 lbs., 14 oz.l	<u>5,139</u>	<u>4.82</u>
		27.164	25.49

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BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

					Eggs Set		Chicks Plac	ed Pr	elim. Fed. In	sp.	
Slaughter	Egg		Chicks		10 Weeks		7 Weeks]	Million head		
Week	Sets		Placed		Previous		Previous		Slaughtered		
	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%*	(000)	%**	
Apr 05	207,900	98	167,672	99	204,707	99	165,871	99	156,255	102	
Apr 12	209,026	99	169,038	100	203,905	98	164,469	96	152,185	97	
Apr 19	208,793	99	166,755	99	202,772	97	163,548	97	144,469	95	
Apr 26	209,218	100	171,781	99	202,449	96	165,230	96	153,380	106	
May 03	208,624	99	171,495	99	204,584	97	167,239	97	156,760	102	
May 10	205,876	97	170,085	99	206,547	98	169,125	99	155,587	99	
May 17	209,019	98	170,022	99	207,539	99	169,325	99	155,533	100	
May 24	210,039	99	171,823	100	208,493	98	167,811	99	159,049	102	
May 31	209,870	99	169,170	98	206,460	99	168,725	99	141,722	89	

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
Week of 06/09/03 VEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	58 - 61	59.14	57.26	56.63
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	52 - 55	55.41	54.99	51.56
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	71	69.68	68.59	67.41
2-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		61.44	61.36	58.66
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Do	ock 65.50)	64.45	64.39	63.19
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 D	Day Avg.	51.67	53.38	40.25

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)	Northeast	Southern States	Georgia
Weekly Weighted Average	(Delivered)	(FOB)	(FOB)
	06/06/03	06/06/03	06/09/03
3reast – B/S	168.15	157.51	179.00
Fenderloins	159.22	160.80	195.50 (Line run)
3reast – Line Run	90.46	95.96	98.50 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	25.55	22.02	25.00
Vings	73.08	72.53	73.50